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YOUR GUIDE TO THE WORLD OF SONIC THE COMIC (STC) & SEGA. PRESENTED BY YOUR HOST, MEGADROID.

Hey, Boomers,

Can you handle the mighty **Mountain Bikes** up for grabs in this issue's terrific Compo? Thanks to those generous humes at **Sun-Pat**, there's five fantastic Giant Bikes to be won.

What else is there to deal with? Well, mega pollution for one thing in part two of Sonic's **Crisis in the Chemical Plant Zone** (for more spills on this, see below).

The clouds are closing in for a certain fox in **Weather Beaten**. Flight fatigue has set in and and Tails gets grounded! Find out what's up (not Tails!) as evil meteorology genius, Windy Wallis takes full advantage with her new invention; also, check out the high-flying **Sonic & Tails Pin-Up**.

The pressure's well and truly on in the runny conclusion to **Chuck and the Cheese Factory**. Slurp-A-Cheese factory workers have sabotaged the Production line, the main cheese vat is going to blow and it's Cheese Wars all round!

Finally, Amy and Tekno are accused of being aliens in the **Earthbound** conclusion, and are being held captive in an underground base; remind me not to go near that vicinity! Hope you give your newsagent a happier reception when the next far out issue lands in just two weeks!

Megadroid

CAN SONIC STOP THE ROT
(OR HAS HE HIT THE DEAD END ZONE?)

Boomer Alert! Slime creatures made up of Doctor Robotnik's seriously poisonous Mega Mack are currently wreaking revenge on Sonic! A chemical factory is about to explode and resulting poltution will cause a major ecological disaster!

Can our fearless hero save the Chemical Plant Zone and surrounding zones from becoming so polluted that nothing will be able to grow for a hundred years? All will be revealed in part two of **Crisis in the Chemical Plant Zone** (see over).

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THE **MEGA MACK FACTORY** IN THE **CHEMICAL PLANT ZONE** IS ABOUT TO EXPLODE!

THE RESULTING POLLUTION WOULD BE DISASTROUS TO ALL THE SURROUNDING ZONES... INCLUDING THE **EMERALD HILL ZONE!**

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

CRISIS IN THE CHEMICAL PLANT ZONE

PART 2

Script: NIGEL KITCHING — Art: RICHARD ELSON — Lettering: TOM FRAME

I WAS PLANNING TO GET MY REVENGE ON YOU BY **POISONING** YOUR PRECIOUS **EMERALD HILL ZONE!**

BUT NOW YOU'RE HERE, I THINK I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU **FIRST!**

REVENGE? LOOK, BUD, I'VE NEVER EVEN MET YOU BEFORE!

STILL DON'T REMEMBER ME, EH? PERHAPS YOU WILL BE REMINDED BY **THIS...**

OH, I RECOGNISE YOU NOW, SLIMY... YOU'RE WHAT'S-HIS-NAME... **MR TOX!**

MEGATOX! **MEGATOX!** YOU IDIOT!*

LAST TIME YOU BEAT ME BY **PURE LUCK**... THIS TIME IS DIFFERENT...

THIS TIME I WILL **DESTROY YOU!**

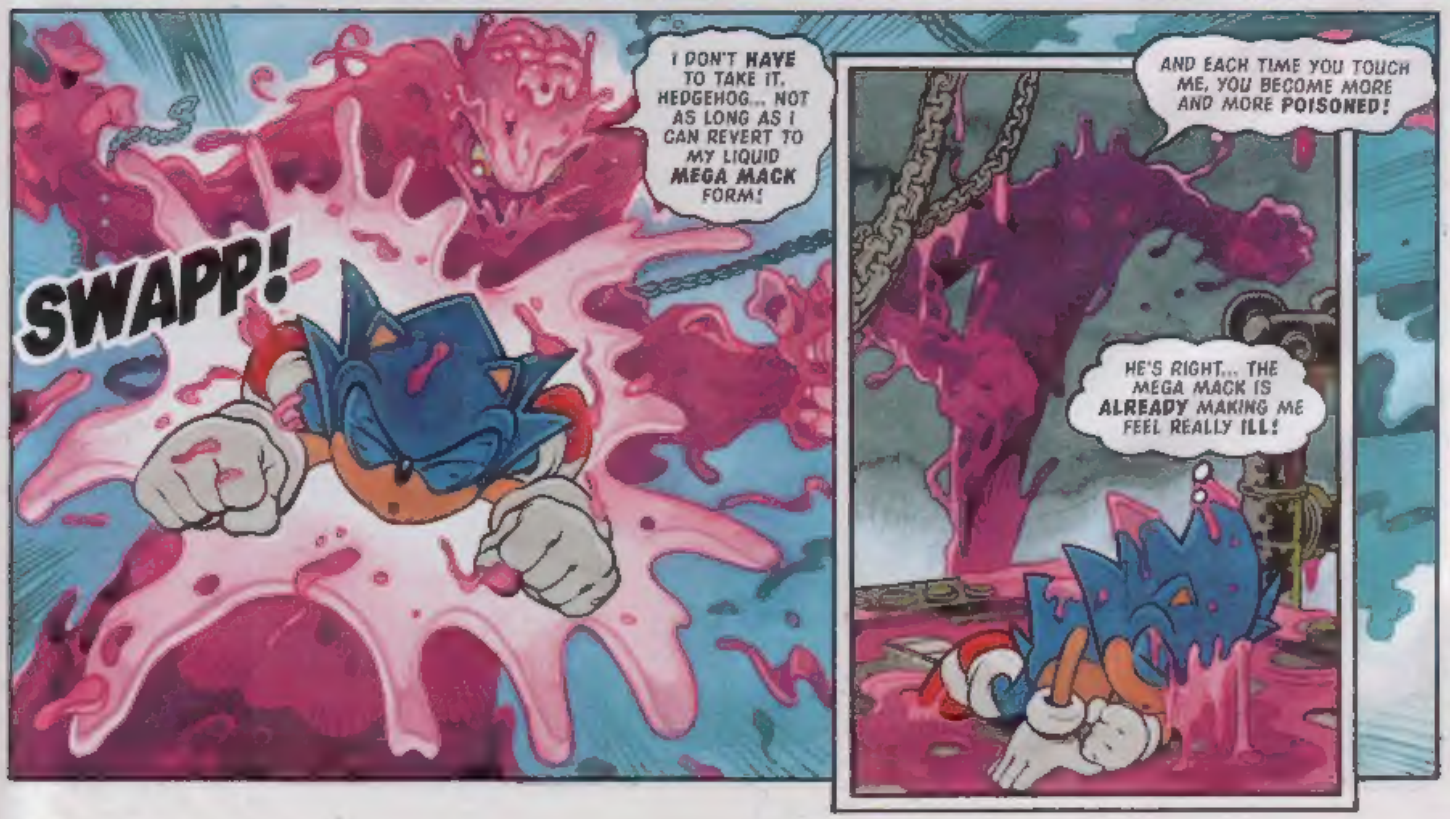
*AND IF YOU DON'T RECOGNISE HIM, DON'T FEEL BAD. HE LAST APPEARED IN **STC 10** BACK IN 1993 – Megadroid.

YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD DESTROYED ME. BUT YOU WERE WRONG!
I HAVE SPENT YEARS GROWING... INCREASING MY STRENGTH... I AM NOW CHARGED WITH THOUSANDS OF VOLTS OF ELECTRICAL POWER!
MY ENERGY LEVEL IS INCREASING EVERY SECOND... IN MINUTES AN EXPLOSION WILL BE TRIGGERED!
"THEN I WILL BURST OUT FROM THIS TANK INTO THE EMERALD RIVER!
"I WILL SURGE INTO THE EMERALD HILL ZONE WITH THE FORCE OF A TIDAL WAVE!
"I WILL POISON THE RIVERS... THE LAND! YOUR ZONE WILL BECOME DEAD. NOTHING WILL BE ABLE TO LIVE THERE FOR A HUNDRED YEARS!"
BUT, AS I SAID, FIRST I WILL DESTROY YOU!
YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE THE NUMBER OF TIMES I'VE HEARD THAT!

I HAD A WEAKNESS BEFORE... I WAS LIQUID AND COULD NEVER REALLY TOUCH ANYTHING!
BUT I HAVE NOW HARNESSED THE POWER OF ELECTRICITY AND..

...I CAN STRIKE!
KRRAKK!
SO I SEE...

SO YOU CAN DISH IT OUT... BUT LET'S SEE IF YOU CAN TAKE IT!


SWAPP!
I DON'T HAVE TO TAKE IT, HEDGEHOG... NOT AS LONG AS I CAN REVERT TO MY LIQUID MEGA MACK FORM!
AND EACH TIME YOU TOUCH ME, YOU BECOME MORE AND MORE POISONED!
HE'S RIGHT... THE MEGA MACK IS ALREADY MAKING ME FEEL REALLY ILL!

WAKKK!
SONIC, LOOK OUT!

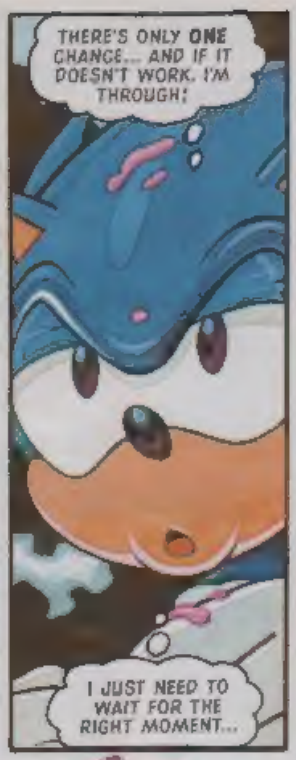
AH, TAILS... SONIC'S STUPID SIDE-KICK!
SWAKK!

I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU IN A MOMENT! BUT FIRST...

HERE HE COMES AGAIN... NOT ONLY DO I FEEL SICK, BUT NOW MY VISION'S GOING HAYWIRE TOO...

I THINK I COULD BE IN TROUBLE HERE...

HAH! I KNEW I COULD BEAT YOU THIS TIME! I JUST NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD BE SO EASY!
KEEP TALKING, BIG MOUTH – THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE GOOD AT!


THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE... AND IF IT DOESN'T WORK, I'M THROUGH!
I JUST NEED TO WAIT FOR THE RIGHT MOMENT...

NOW!
WHA-?

KRRANNGGG
AGGGG!

JUST AS I THOUGHT...

SONIC... I DON'T GET IT!

SIMPLE BUDDY... ALL I HAD TO DO WAS HIT HIM BEFORE HE HAD A CHANCE TO TURN LIQUID.
YOU KNOCKED HIM UNCONSCIOUS!
CREEPS LIKE HIM ALWAYS HAVE A GLASS JAW!

LATER AND THE CLEAN-UP OPERATION IS WELL UNDER WAY. MEGATOX HAS BEEN SAFELY NEUTRALISED AND STORED IN A REINFORCED TANK.

ADMIT IT, GROUCHIO... THIS WAS ANOTHER PLAN BY YOU MARXIO BROTHERS TO **GET** ME!

BUT YOU'RE OUR **FAVOURITE** HEDGEHOG! WE WOULDN'T DO THAT TO **YOU!**

HAH! I HAVEN'T FOGOTTEN THE TIME YOU TIED ME TO THE TRACKS OF A **ROLLER COASTER!**

SONIC... THEY **COULD** BE TELLING THE TRUTH! I MEAN, WHY WOULD THEY SET A TRAP THAT DESTROYS THEIR **OWN** FACTORY?

SURE SONIC! WE'RE ON-A THE LEVEL! WE GONE TURN THE CHEMICAL PLANT ZONE INTO A **GREAT SUCCESS!**

OKAY, **OKAY**, SO MAYBE YOU TRIED TO KILL ME AND MAYBE YOU DIDN'T!

MAN, IT ALMOST MAKES YOU MISS ROBOTNIK... AT LEAST WHEN HE WAS AROUND, YOU **KNEW** WHO THE BAD GUYS WERE!

NEXT ISSUE: **CRISIS OF THE CHAOS EMERALDS!**

LIFE IS A PAIN IN THE TAILS FOR OUR HERO AT THE MOMENT...

YOU'VE SPRAINED YOUR TAILS WITH TOO MUCH FLYING! YOU MUST REST THEM FOR A FEW DAYS!

—BUT DOC! ASKING ME NOT TO FLY IS LIKE ASKING ROBOTNIK NOT TO BE HORRIBLE!

THAT'S ORDERS I'M AFRAID, SO NO FLYING!

sigh. I'M GROUNDED!

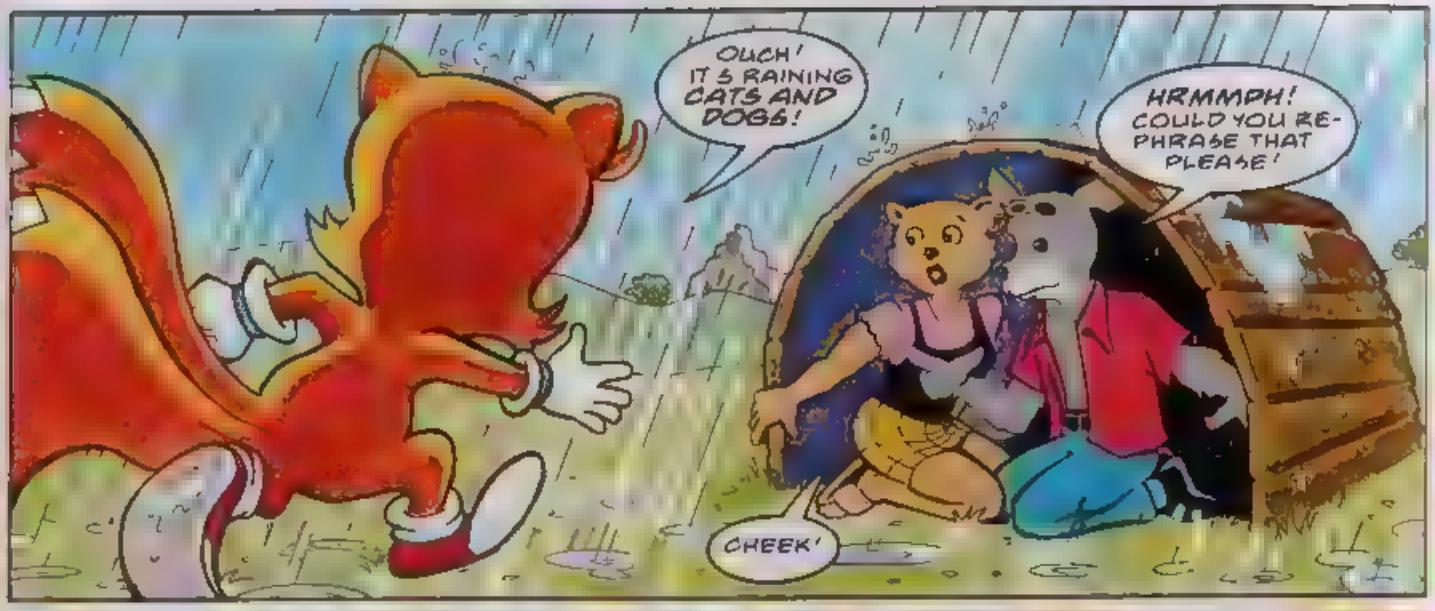
AT LEAST IT'S A NICE DAY FOR A WALK!

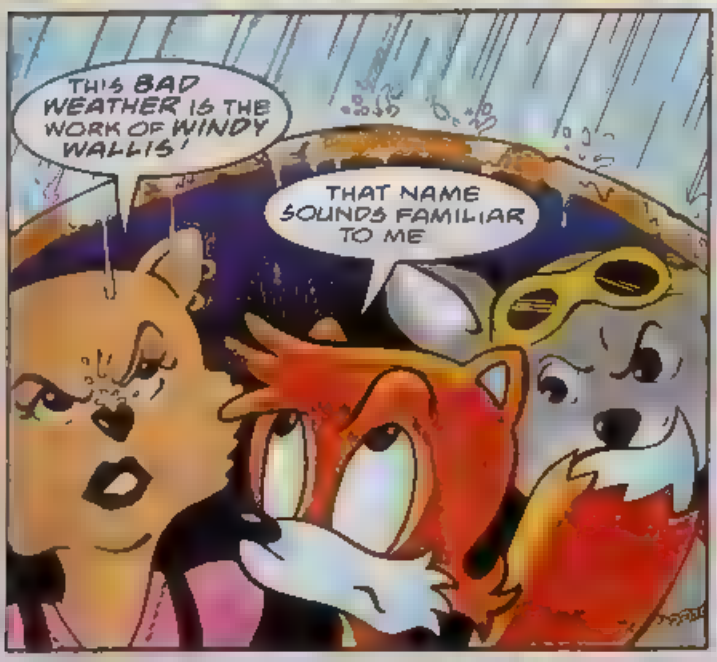
KRAKA BOOM!

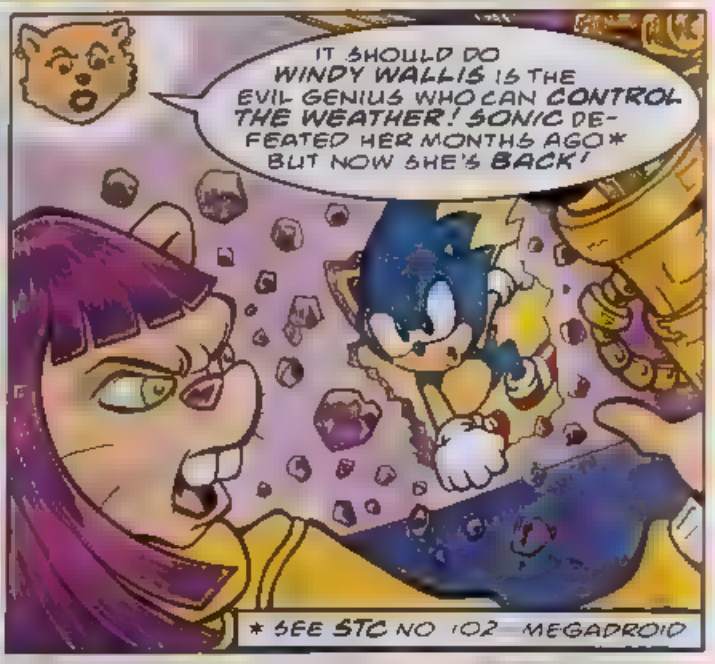
TYPICAL!

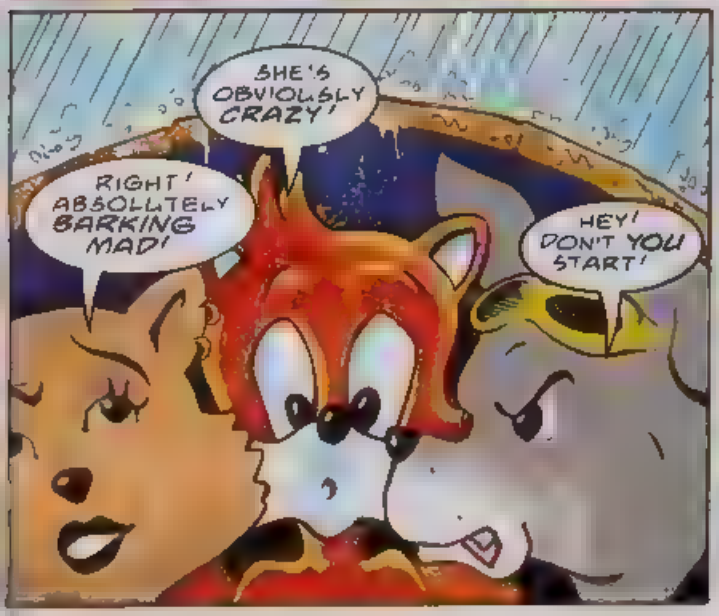
tails

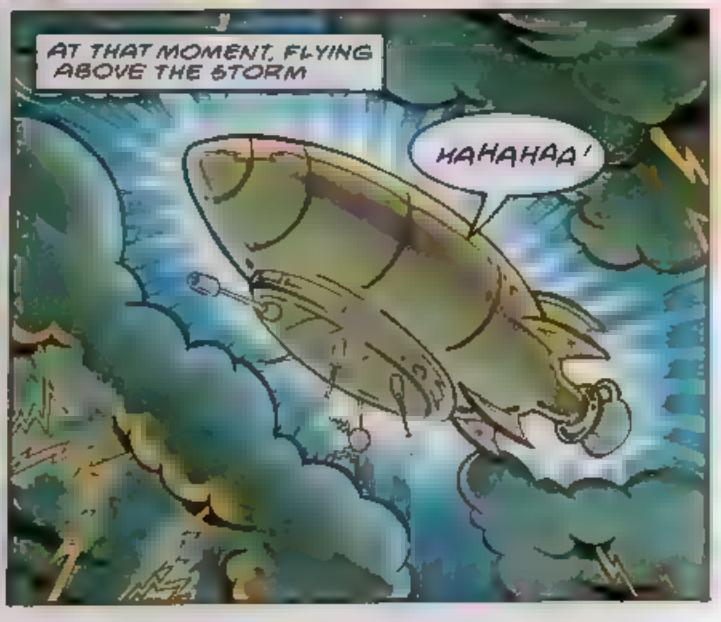
WEATHER BEATEN

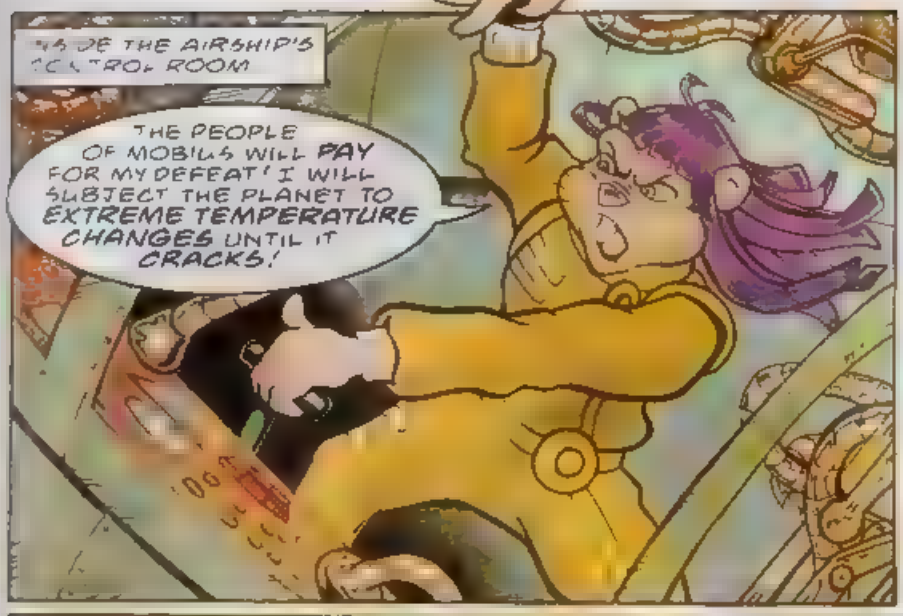

OUCH! IT'S RAINING CATS AND DOGS!
HRMMPH! COULD YOU RE-PHRASE THAT PLEASE!
CHEEK!

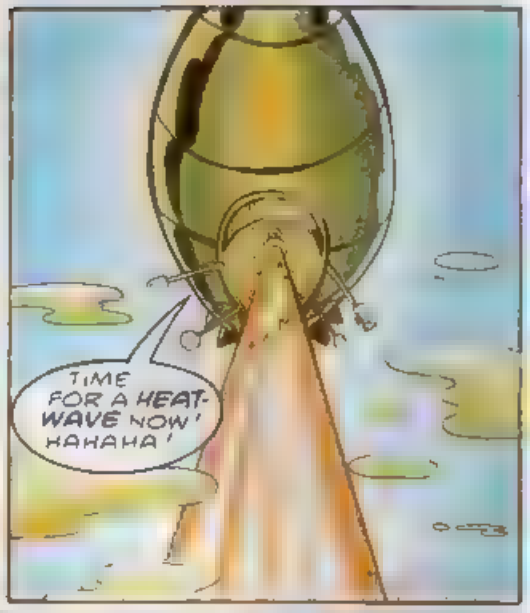

THIS BAD WEATHER IS THE WORK OF WINDY WALLIS!
THAT NAME SOUNDS FAMILIAR TO ME

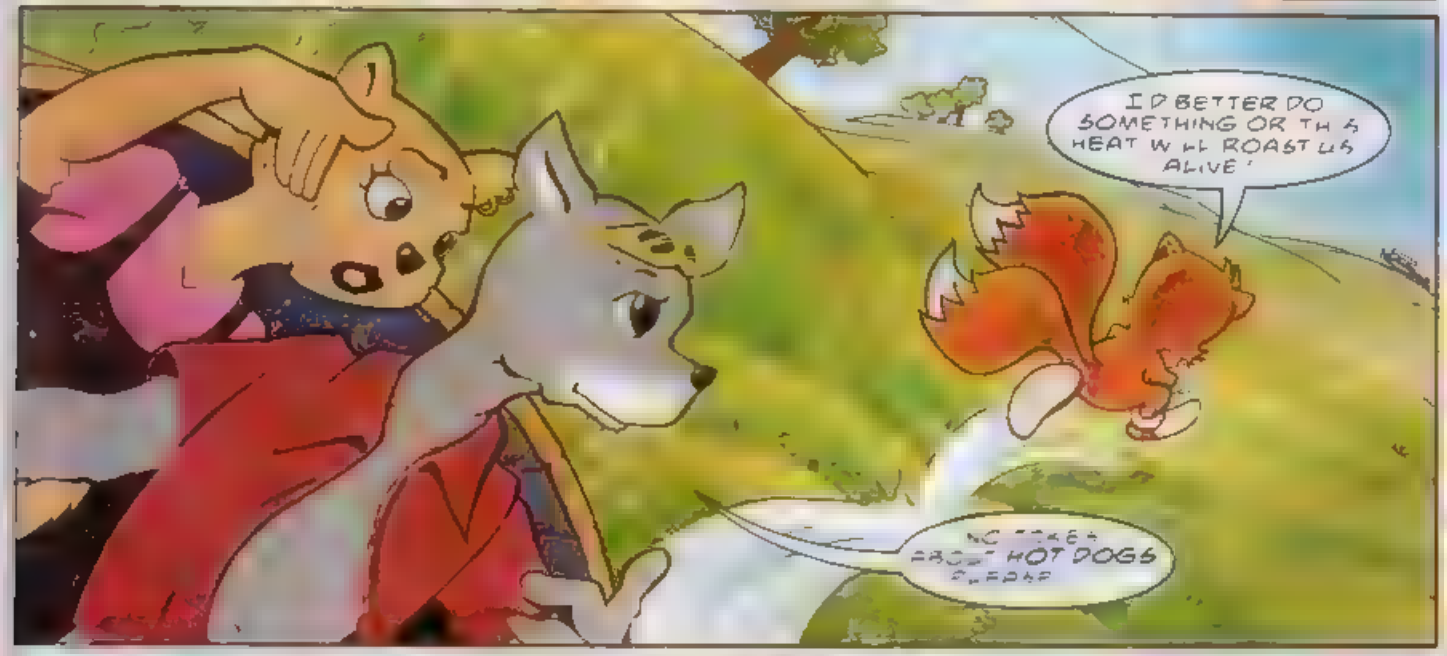

IT SHOULD DO WINDY WALLIS IS THE EVIL GENIUS WHO CAN CONTROL THE WEATHER! SONIC DE-FEATED HER MONTHS AGO* BUT NOW SHE'S BACK!
* SEE STC NO 102 MEGADROID

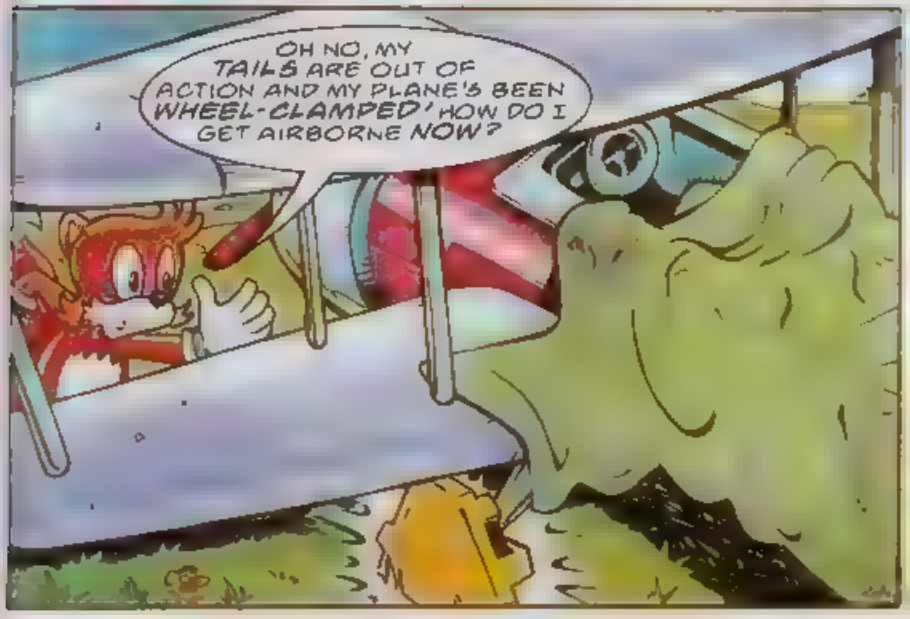

SHE'S OBVIOUSLY CRAZY!
RIGHT! ABSOLUTELY BARKING MAD!
HEY! DON'T YOU START!

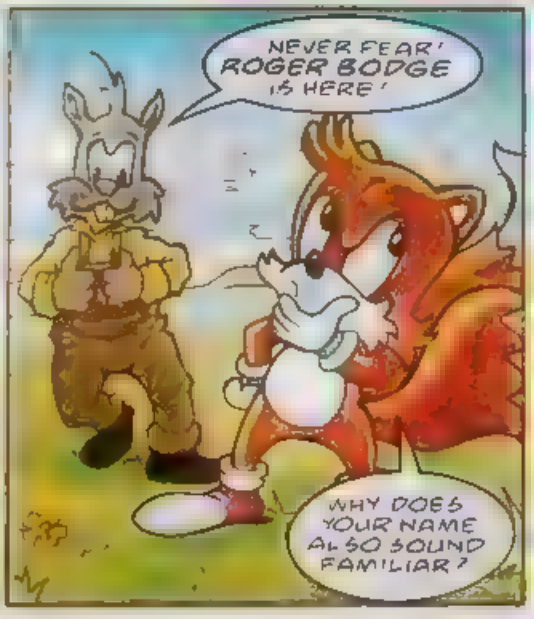

AT THAT MOMENT, FLYING ABOVE THE STORM
HAHAHA!


INSIDE THE AIRSHIP'S CONTROL ROOM
THE PEOPLE OF MOBIUS WILL PAY FOR MY DEFEAT! I WILL SUBJECT THE PLANET TO EXTREME TEMPERATURE CHANGES UNTIL IT CRACKS!


TIME FOR A HEAT-WAVE NOW! HAHAHA!


I'D BETTER DO SOMETHING OR THIS HEAT WILL ROAST US ALIVE!
HOT DOGS


OH NO, MY TAILS ARE OUT OF ACTION AND MY PLANE'S BEEN WHEEL-CLAMPED! HOW DO I GET AIRBORNE NOW?


NEVER FEAR! ROGER BODGE IS HERE!
WHY DOES YOUR NAME ALSO SOUND FAMILIAR?

YOU MUST HAVE HEARD OF MY **CREATIVE TALENT!** I'VE JUST BUILT THIS HELICOPTER WITH MY OWN TWO HANDS! FEEL FREE TO USE IT!

GUESS I'VE NO CHOICE!

SHORTLY

SO, **TAILS** THINKS HE CAN STOP ME DOES HE?

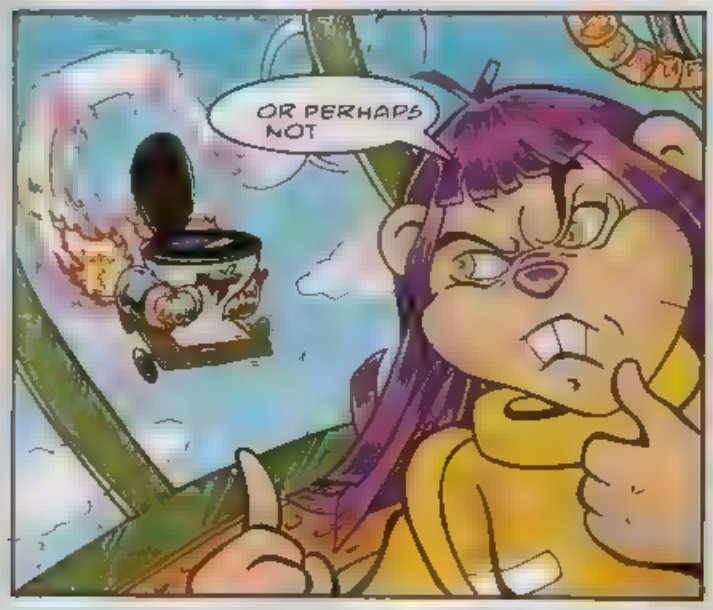
SNOW CHANCE!

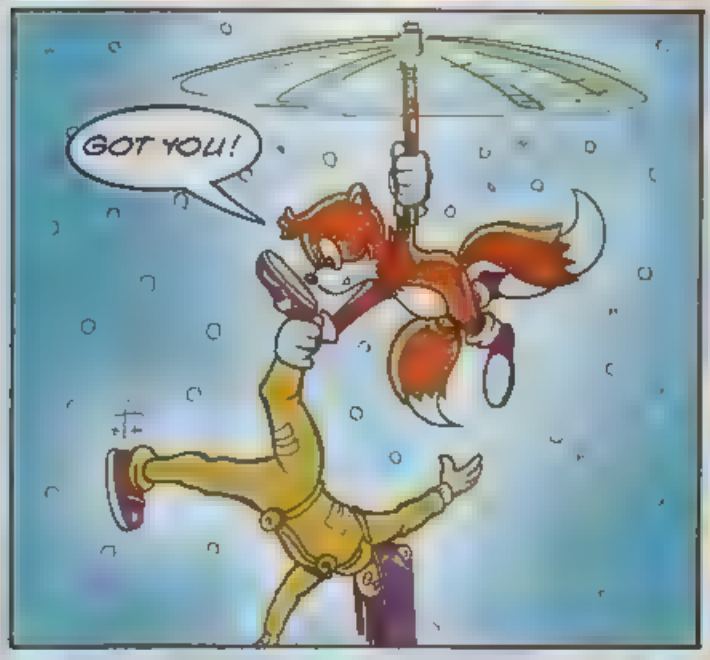
WHOA! I HOPE THE COPTER CAN STAND UP TO THIS!

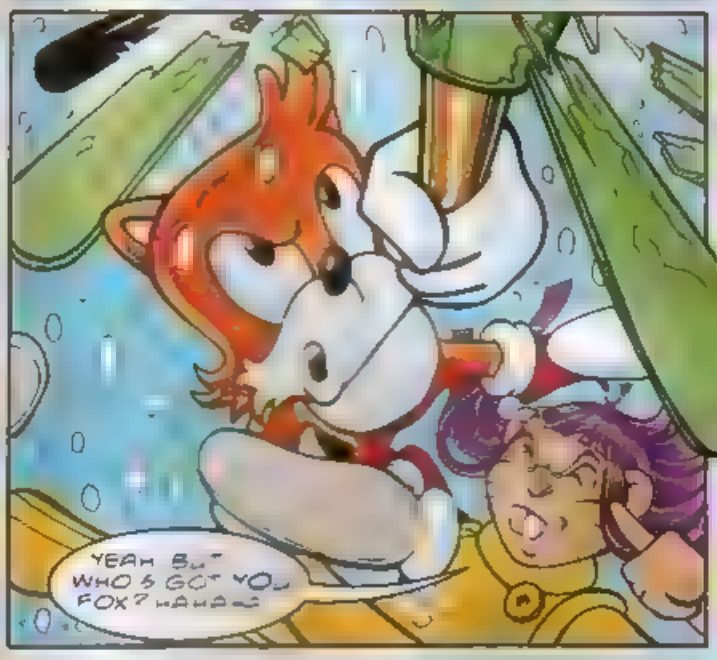
NOW I REMEMBER WHY **ROGER BODGE** SOUNDED FAMILIAR! EVERYTHING HE BUILDS **FALLS APART!** *

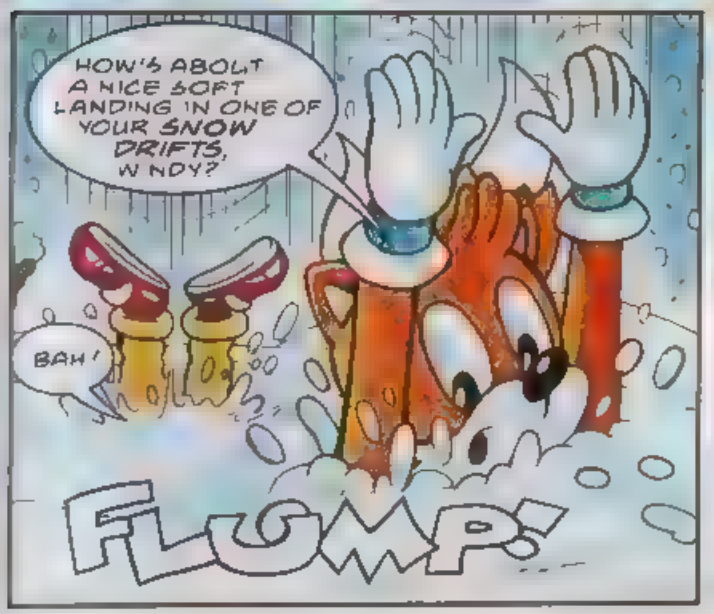
* AS SONIC FOUND OUT IN **STC** 103 - MEGADROID

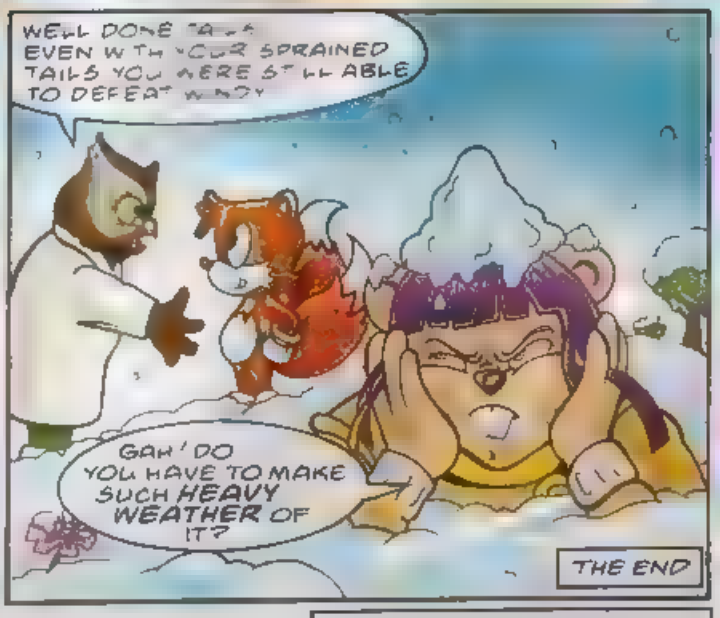
TAILS IS **FINISHED!** NOW TO **BURY THE PLANET IN SNOW!**











NEXT ISSUE EXTRA SONIC STORY: HOT LEGS!

PEN-PUSHING HEDGEHOG

Dear Megadroid,

I would like to know why Sonic answers the Boomer's questions instead of you?

Emma Buckley,
Warrington, Cheshire.
Enamel Badge Prize Winner.

Emma, don't you know that I am the hard-working, multi-purpose editorial server-droid around here? 'Tis I who replies to your letters, who carts lorry loads of mail twice daily from the post room to the STC nerve-centre. I'd be only too happy for Sonic to handle the mail, but he can't sit still for long enough!

SUPER SONIC RETURNS

Dear Megadroid,

I am interested to find out what has become of Super Sonic. Could you ask the humes when we are going to see more of him again?

Ali Alnajjar,
Dagenham, Essex.
Enamel Badge Prize Winner.

What timing, Ali! You can catch up with Super Sonic again in the very next issue, for the start of a brand new three part story called 'The Hunter And The Hunted'.

Send your e-mail messages to: stc@egmont.co.uk

Be sure to include your snail mail (postal) address if you want to win a prize!

Anthony Bryant
Stafford, Staffs.
Enamel Badge Prize Winner.

WINNING COMPO's

Dear Megadroid,

I am a fairly new reader to STC, and I think it would be even better if you included competitions. Also, I really enjoy the issues which include an extra Sonic story - after all, it is called 'Sonic the Comic'!

Adam Kissaglis,
Burringham, Nr Scunthorpe.
Enamel Badge Prize Winner.

Welcome to our happy ship Adam. I trust you'll be entering the Mountain Bike & Safety Gear Competition (see right). Also, the next issue includes an exclusive Compo for you to get your newly cut STC teeth into! In honour of Sonic's Mega Drive launch six years ago, one hundred family tickets are up for grabs to join in a celebration on Sunday, 16 November at Hamleys Toy Store in London.

Louise Walsh,
Dewsbury, W Yorks.
Enamel Badge Prize Winner.

Decap Attack

PART 2

CHUCK AND THE CHEESE FACTORY

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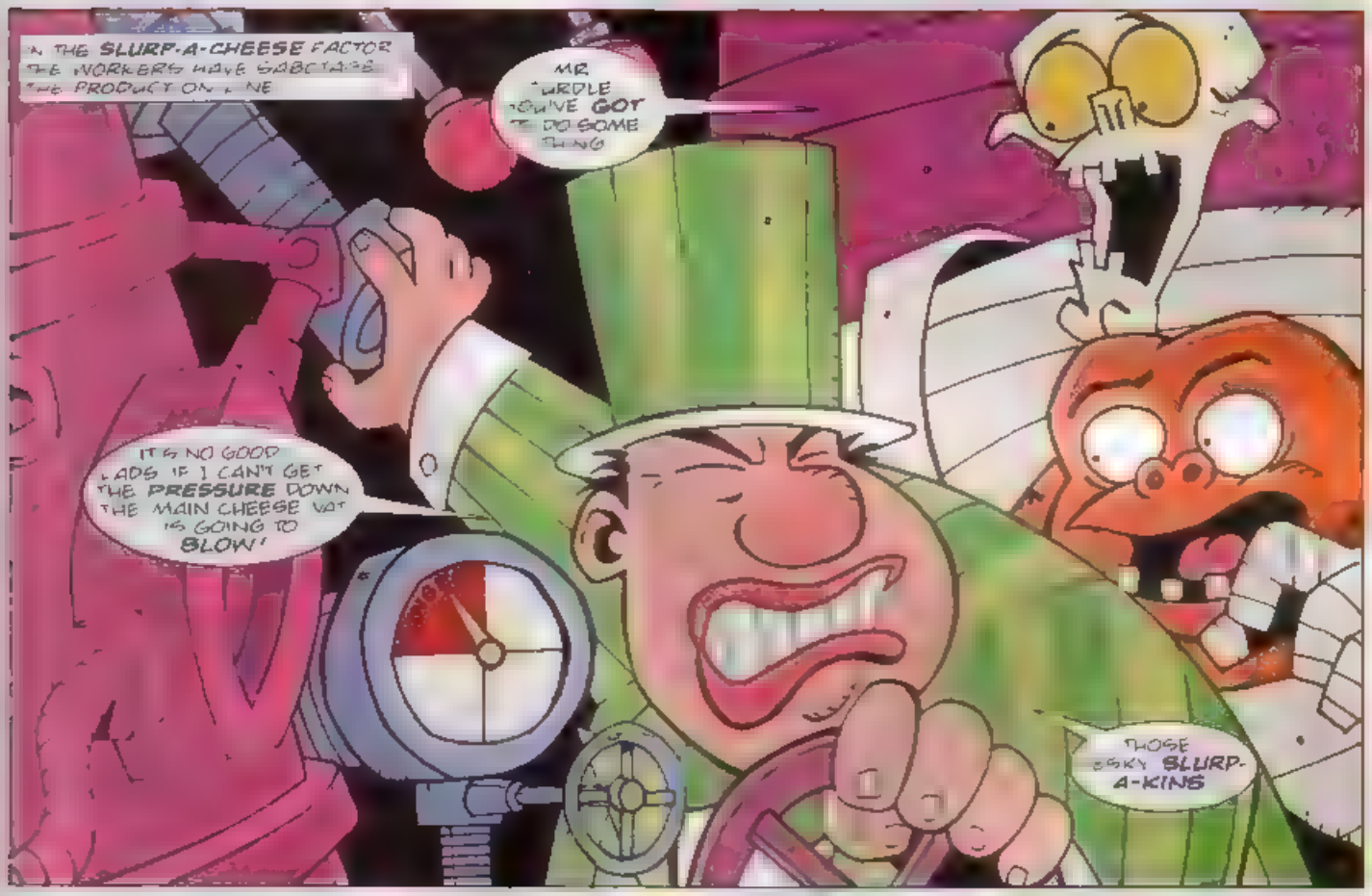
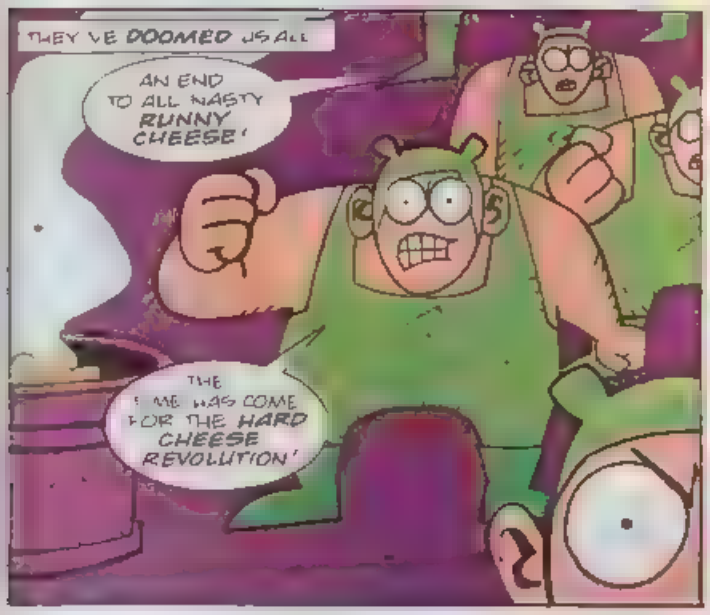
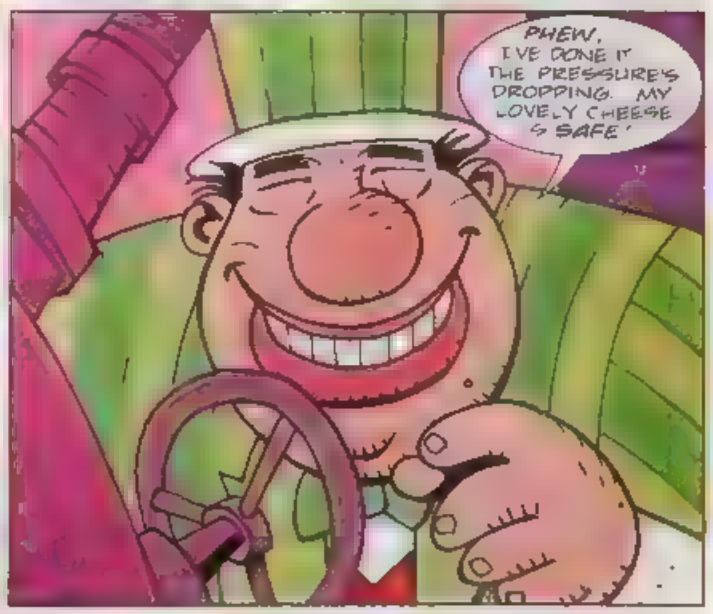
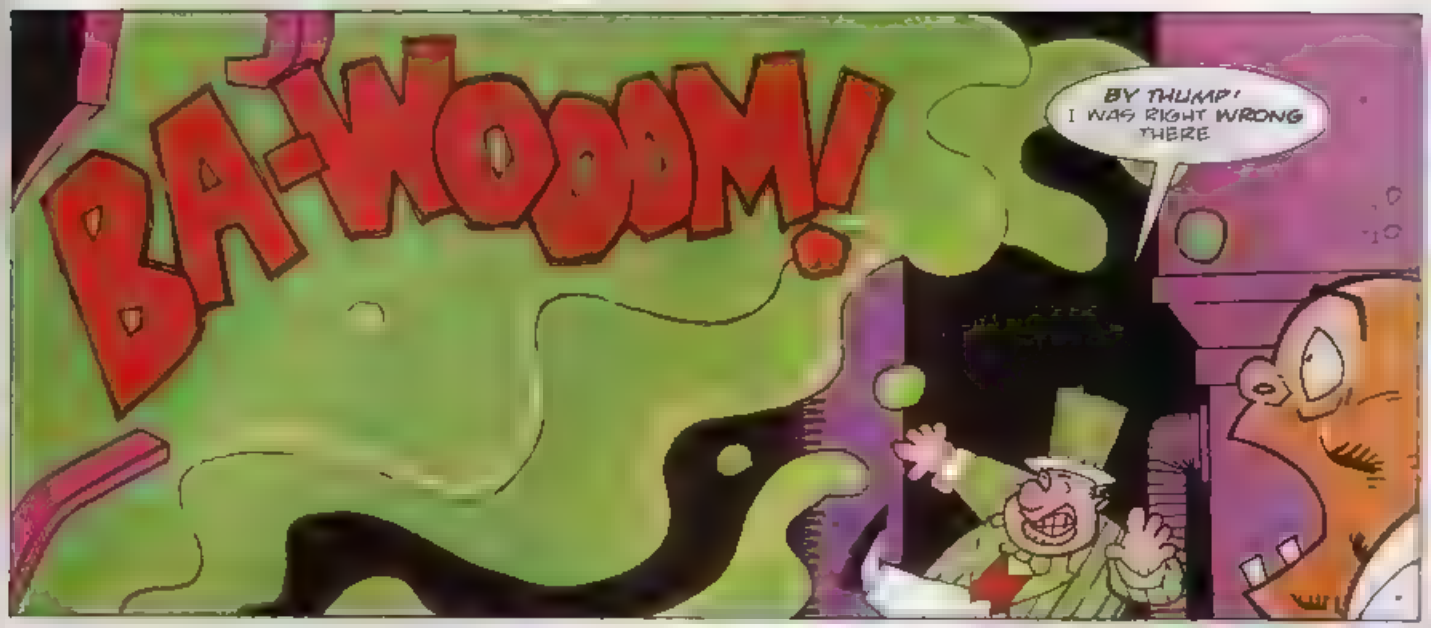
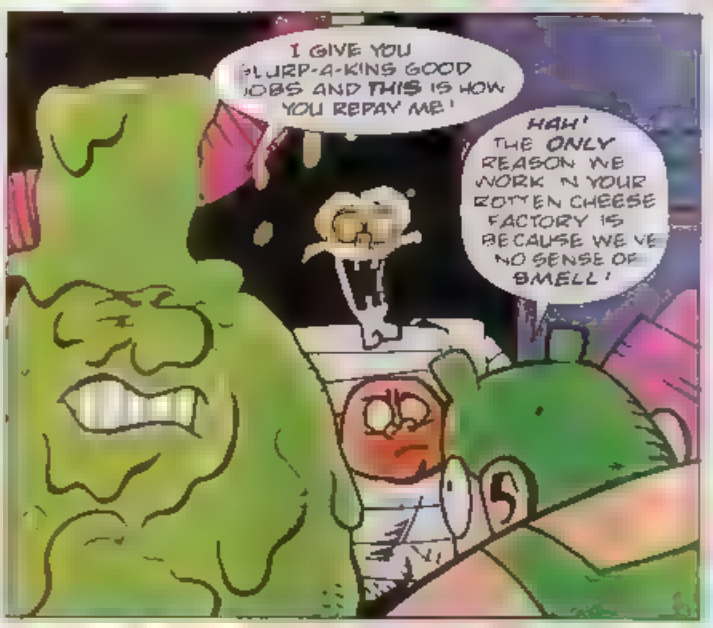


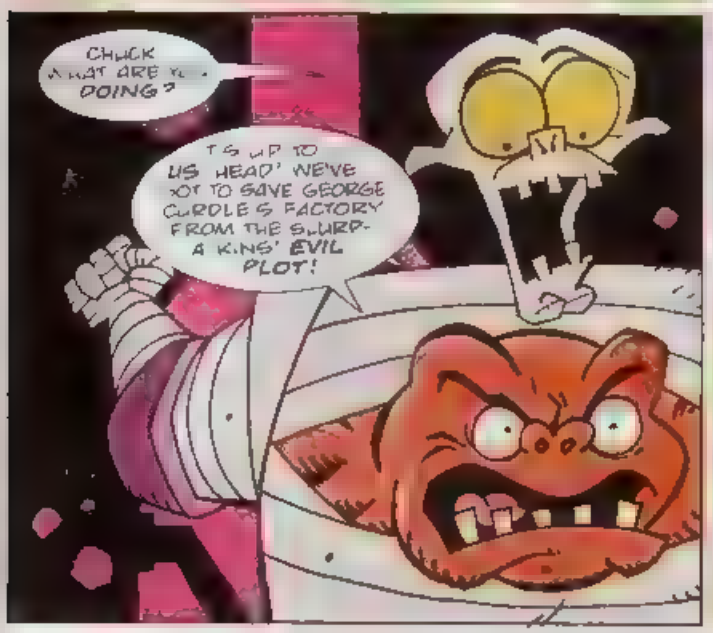


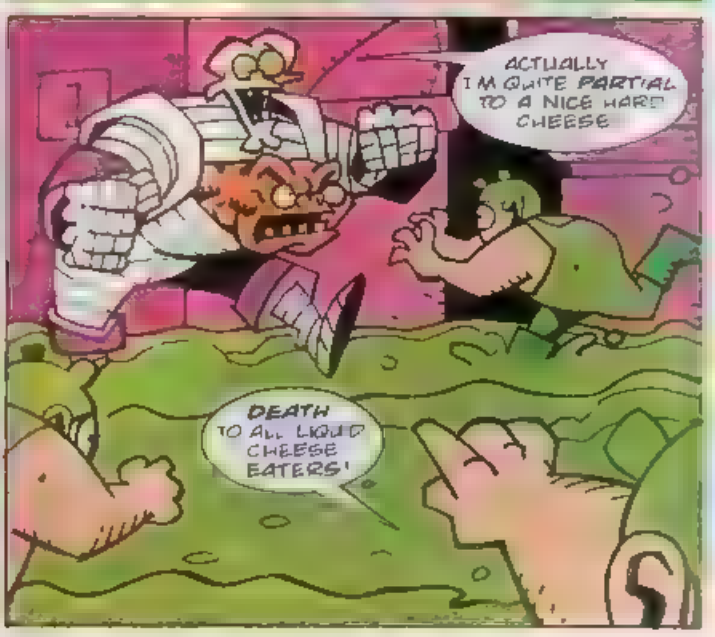



BA-WOOOOM!
BY THUMP! I WAS RIGHT WRONG THERE

THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING.. THE CHEESE VATS ARE AS GOOD AS OURS!


I GIVE YOU SLURP-A-KINS GOOD JOBS AND THIS IS HOW YOU REPAY ME!
HAH! THE ONLY REASON WE WORK IN YOUR ROTTEN CHEESE FACTORY IS BECAUSE WE'VE NO SENSE OF SMELL!

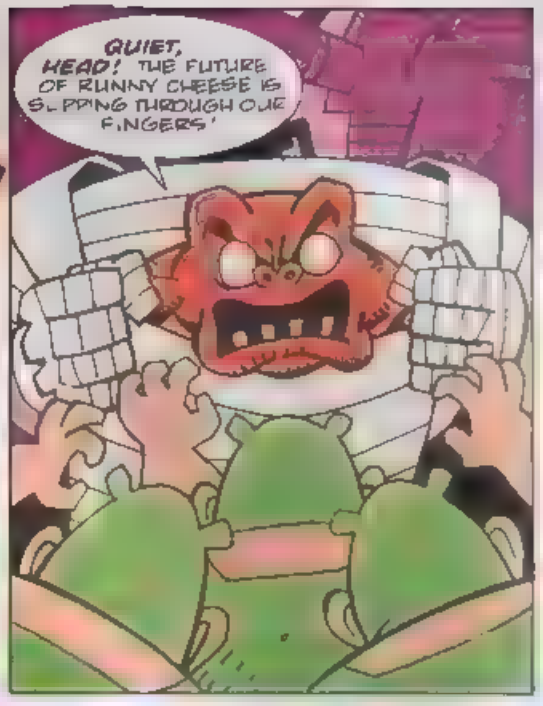

CHUCK WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
IT'S UP TO US HEAD! WE'VE GOT TO SAVE GEORGE CURDLE'S FACTORY FROM THE SLURP-A-KINS' EVIL PLOT!

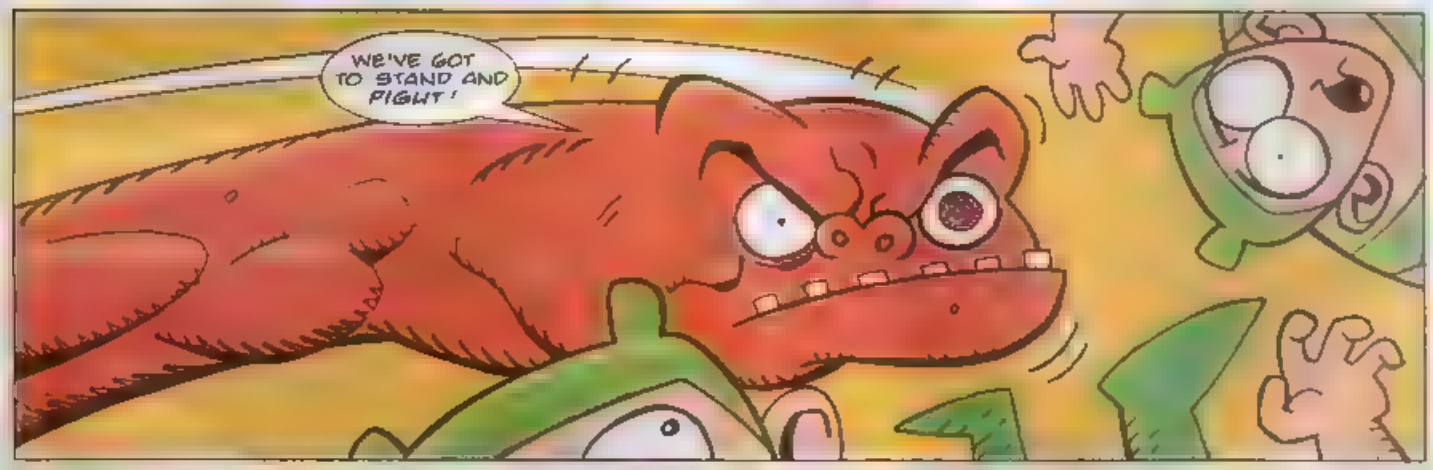

ACTUALLY I'M QUITE PARTIAL TO A NICE HARD CHEESE
DEATH TO ALL LIQUID CHEESE EATERS!

I DON'T EVEN MIND IT'S A BIT CRUMBLY!
SHUT IT HEAD THIS IS WAS. CHEESE WAR!

CHUCK HELP! I'M FALLING INTO THE

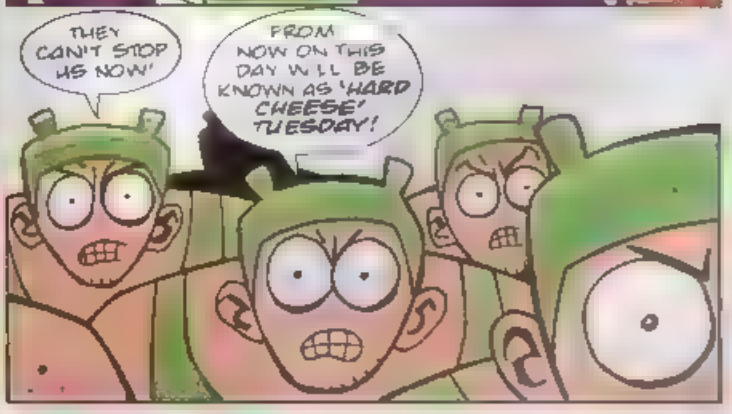
PLOP!

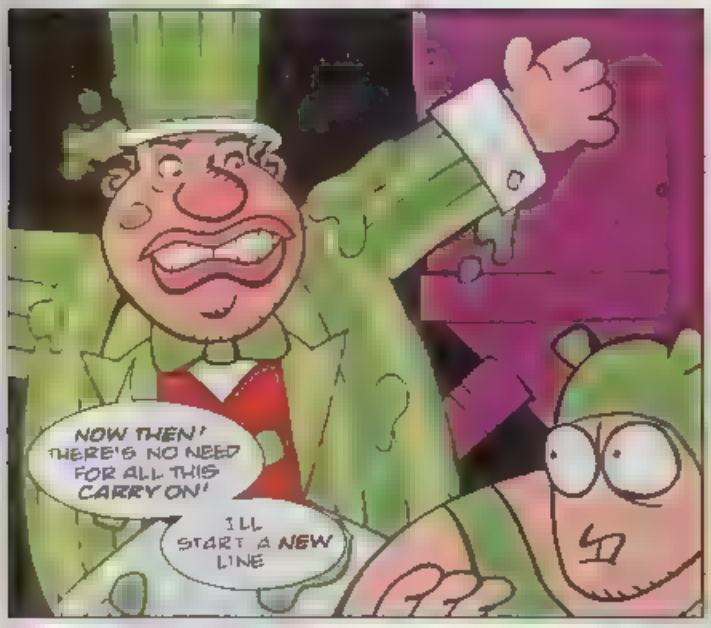

QUIET, HEAD! THE FUTURE OF RUNNY CHEESE IS SLIPPING THROUGH OUR FINGERS!

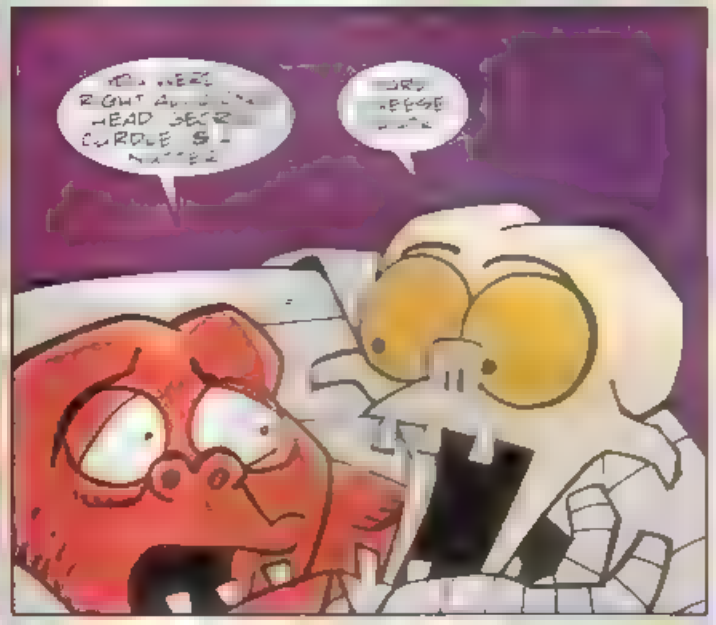

WE'VE GOT TO STAND AND FIGHT!

GLUB! GLUB! GLUB! GLUB!
HEAD?

YEURGHH! SOMETIMES IT PAYS NOT TO HAVE A STOMACH

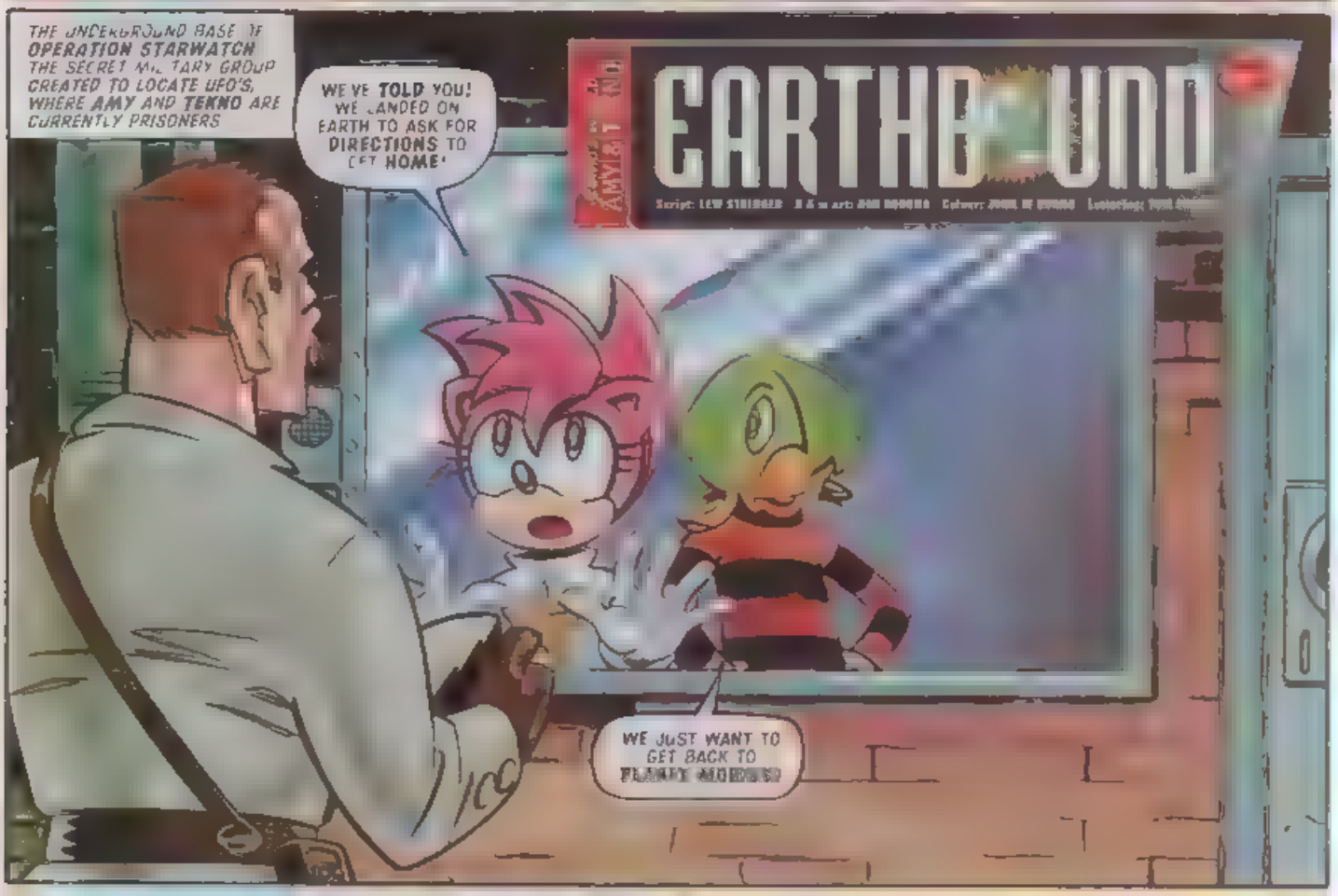

THEY CAN'T STOP US NOW!
FROM NOW ON THIS DAY WILL BE KNOWN AS 'HARD CHEESE' TUESDAY!



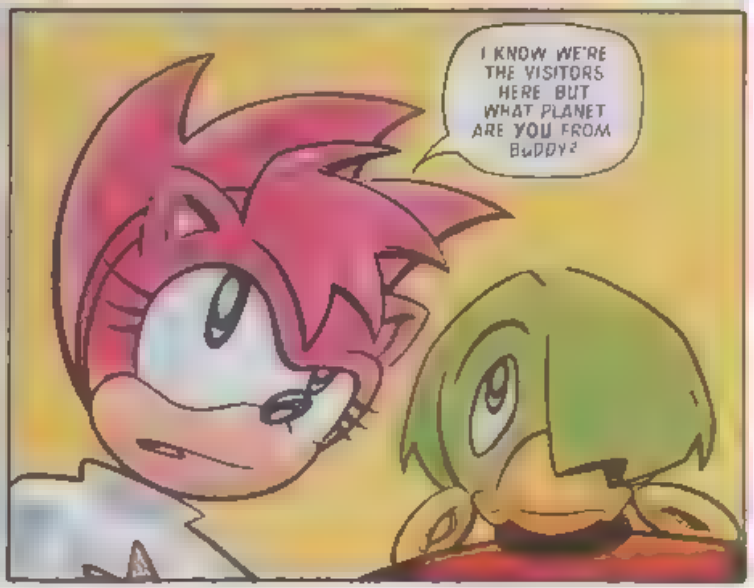


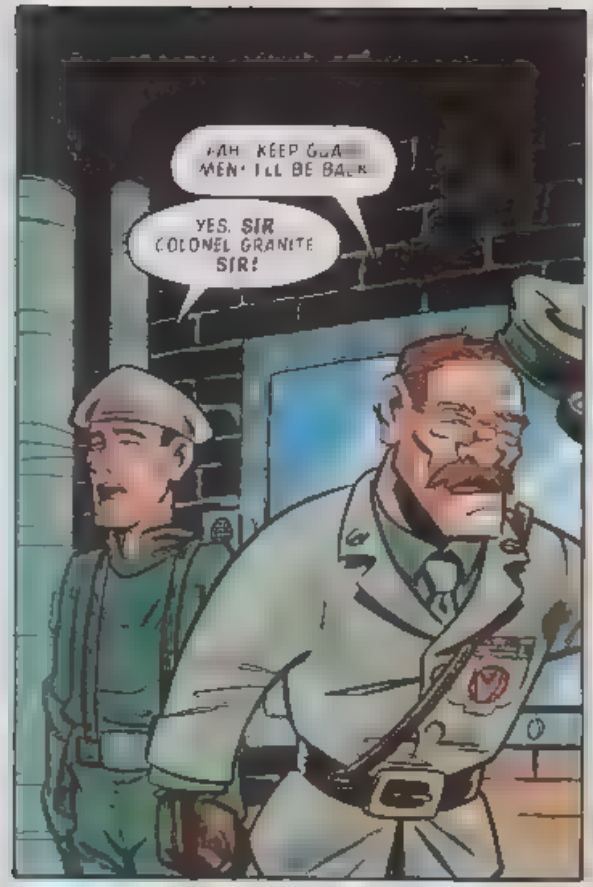
NEXT ISSUE THE PUMPKING RETURN FOR HALLOWEEN!

WHY HAVE YOU TWO ALIENS INVADED EARTH? I WANT ANSWERS!


THE UNDERGROUND BASE OF OPERATION STARWATCH THE SECRET MILITARY GROUP CREATED TO LOCATE UFO'S, WHERE AMY AND TEKNO ARE CURRENTLY PRISONERS
WE'VE TOLD YOU! WE LANDED ON EARTH TO ASK FOR DIRECTIONS TO GET HOME!
EARTHBOUND
WE JUST WANT TO GET BACK TO PLANET MOBIUS!

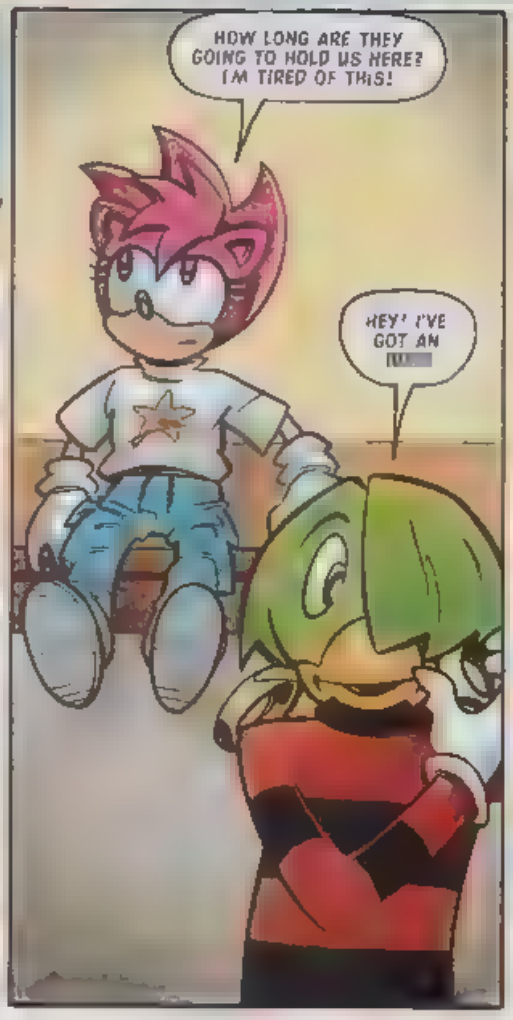
ADMIT IT! YOU WERE TRYING TO CONTACT AN INVASION FORCE OF GOOGLY-EYED SIX-TENTACLED ALIENS, WEREN'T YOU?


I KNOW WE'RE THE VISITORS HERE BUT WHAT PLANET ARE YOU FROM BUDDY?


AH KEEP GUA
MEN' I'LL BE BAC
YES, SIR COLONEL GRANITE SIR!

PROFESSOR GRATERMASS! THOSE ALIENS WERE FOUND ON YOUR PREMISES! PLANNING TO TAKE OVER THE WORLD TOGETHER WERE YOU?
DON'T BE RIDICULOUS!

I HOPED TO USE MY SCIENTIFIC KNOW HOW TO HELP AMY AND TEKNO RETURN TO THEIR PLANET! THEY'RE GOOD ALIENS!
NONSENSE!

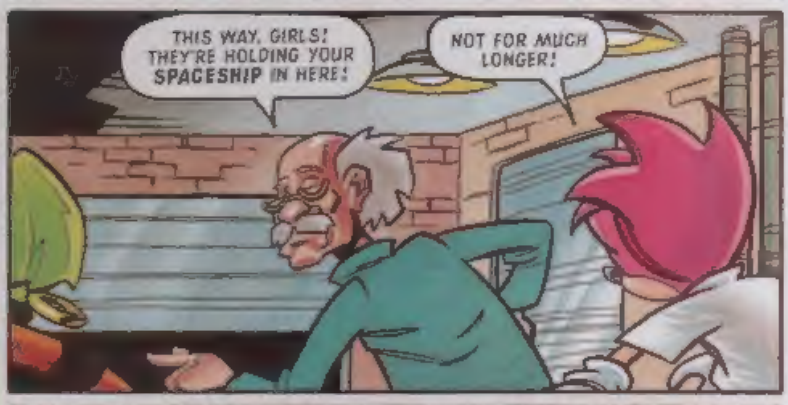

HOW LONG ARE THEY GOING TO HOLD US HERE? I'M TIRED OF THIS!
HEY! I'VE GOT AN

I MADE MY EXPLOSIVE EARRINGS FOR JUST SUCH A PREDICAMENT!
YOU ARE KIDDING

FADOOOM

WOW! THAT'S MUCH MORE USEFUL THAN YOUR AVERAGE FASHION ACCESSORY!
STOP THEM, YOU IMBECILES!

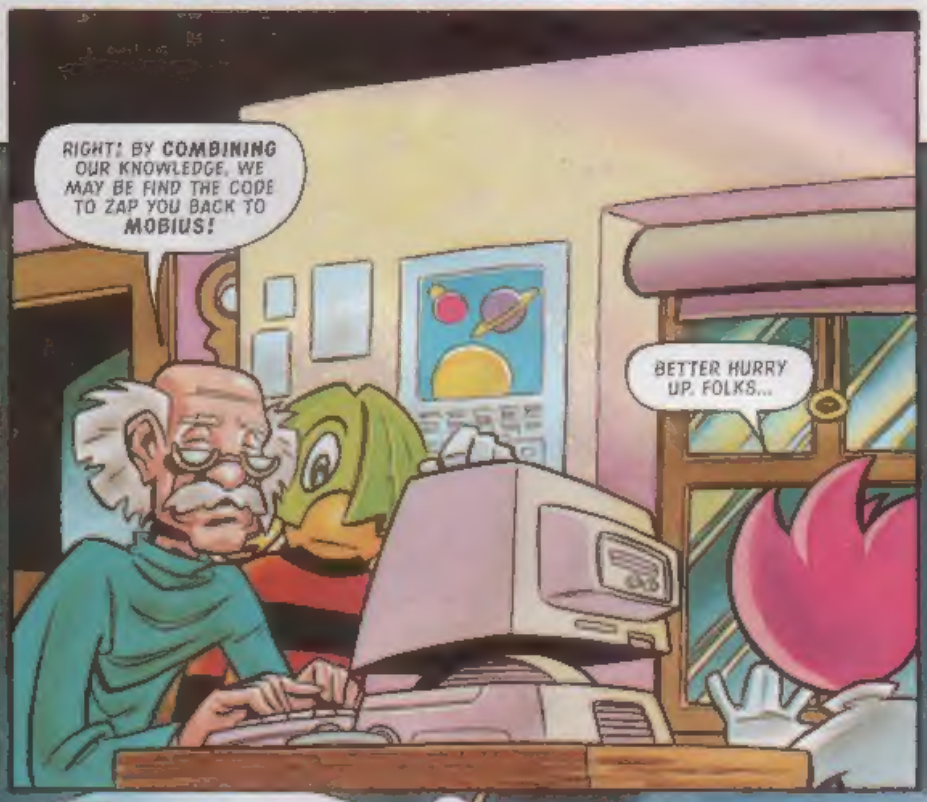
CHEERIO, COLONEL! MUST FLY!
BUT HOW? YOU... HAVEN'T ANY WINGS!
NO, BUT I AM TALENTED!

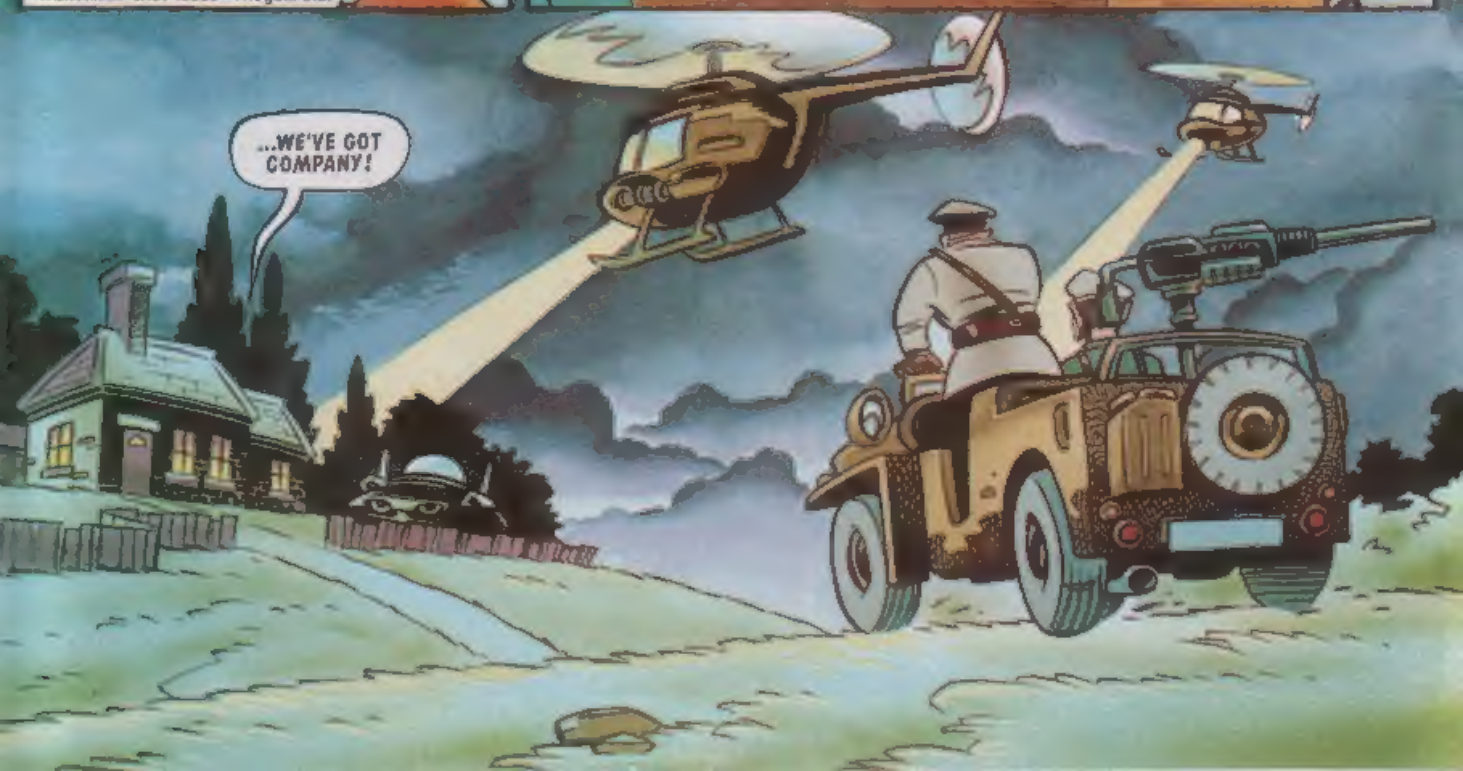

THIS WAY, GIRLS! THEY'RE HOLDING YOUR SPACESHIP IN HERE!
NOT FOR MUCH LONGER!

HANG ON! THIS THING'S ONLY A TWO-SEATER!
YYIIIKE!

WE CAN DROP YOU OFF AT YOUR PLACE, PROF!
GULP! COULD YOU USE A DIFFERENT PHRASE THAN THAT PLEASE?

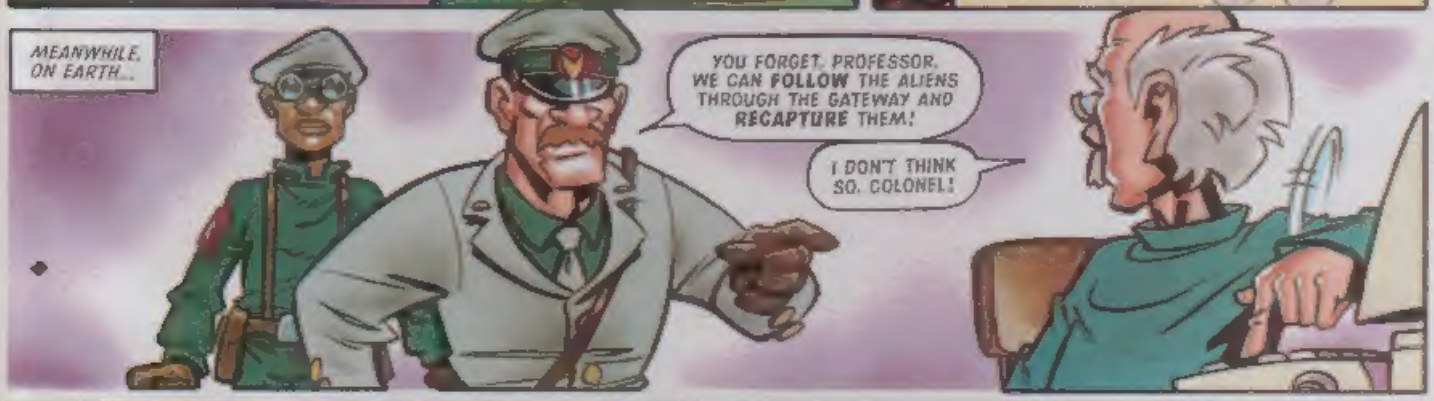
I THINK I MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET YOU HOME QUICKER, ACTUALLY!
LET ME GUESS! YOUR "GATEWAY TO INFRA-SPACE" IDEA, RIGHT?*
*MENTIONED LAST ISSUE—Megadroid.


RIGHT! BY COMBINING OUR KNOWLEDGE, WE MAY BE FIND THE CODE TO ZAP YOU BACK TO MOBIUS!
BETTER HURRY UP, FOLKS...


...WE'VE GOT COMPANY!

YESSS! I BELIEVE THE TERM IS: GO FOR IT!
THANKS, PROF! YOU'RE A COOL DUDE... UNLIKE THOSE OTHER HUMANS!

ZZAP!
IT WORKED! WE'VE BEEN TRANSPORTED BACK TO PLANET MOBIUS!
NOW, THAT'S WHAT I CALL AN IMPRESSIVE ENTRANCE!


MEANWHILE, ON EARTH...
YOU FORGET, PROFESSOR, WE CAN FOLLOW THE ALIENS THROUGH THE GATEWAY AND RECAPTURE THEM!
I DON'T THINK SO, COLONEL!

I'VE JUST DELETED THE PROGRAM, AND IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO ACCESS IT AGAIN WITHOUT TEKNO'S INPUT!
HOW DARE YOU...
PROGRAM DELETED

LATER...
SO WHAT WAS EARTH LIKE?
HMMM... LET'S JUST SAY IT'S OKAY FOR A DAY TRIP, BUT I WOULDN'T HAVE WANTED TO STAY ANY LONGER!
THE END!
NEXT ISSUE: SPOOKED!

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